IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the application of:

Takayuki Araki, et al.

Serial Number: 09/095,842

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For: AQUEOUS DISPERSION OF VINYSIDEN

FLUORIDE POLYMER AND PREPARATION

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May 15, 1999

PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 and 1.136, applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time for filing a response to the Official Action mailed December 13, 1999. The Official Action mailed December 13, 1999, set forth a three-month period for response. This Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time extends the period of response to May 13, 2000, which is a Saturday. Accordingly, a timely response to the Official Action mailed December 13, 1999, can be file on the next business day, Monday, May 15, 2000.

A check in the amount of THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$380.00) is attached hereto for payment of the fee for this Two-Month Extension of Time.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee therefor, as well as any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 22-0256.

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